

Coachella Canal Area Resource Management Plan

Draft Objectives

Overall objectives of the Resource Management Plan (RMP) include the following:

- ◆ Explore ways to enhance and protect the natural and cultural resources.
- ◆ Identify and determine uses of Reclamation lands that are compatible and consistent with Reclamation's primary purpose and the Coachella Valley Water District's operation, maintenance, and replacement responsibilities associated with the Coachella Canal.
- ◆ Identify long-term programs that address public health and safety, fish and wildlife, recreation, and other resources.
- ◆ Identify financially feasible opportunities or partnerships to assist in managing resources.
- ◆ Document specific management actions that will allow Reclamation to operate and maintain lands associated with the Coachella Canal, while protecting authorized Reclamation project purposes as detailed in the Boulder Canyon Project Act of December 21, 1928 (45 Statute 1057).
- ◆ Protect and enhance Reclamation's existing partnerships with the Coachella Valley Water District, Riverside County, and Coachella Valley Recreation and Park District.
- ◆ Protect existing right-of-use authorizations.

The overall objectives for completing an RMP for the Coachella Canal area are consistent with the mission goals identified in Reclamation's 2000-2005 Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan goals include the following:

- ◆ Manage, develop, and protect water and related resources to help meet the needs of current and future generations.
- ◆ Operate, maintain, and rehabilitate facilities safely, reliably, and efficiently to provide benefits.
- ◆ Advance Reclamation's organizational effectiveness.